

Page 8, paragraph beginning at line 17 (amended):

B₇ Finally, Figure 4 shows how the bandage 100 according to the invention is applied on the right shoulder and right forearm of the patient. Starting from the patient's wrist, the holding strap 5 runs behind his back and is guided round the right upper arm in a loop and fixed to the holding strap 5 itself, namely by means of the VELCRO® hook and loop closure 51, behind the patient's back.

IN THE CLAIMS

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B₇ Claim 1 (amended). Bandage for the shoulder and upper arm area, comprising an anatomically shaped upper arm part which is adapted to receive the upper arm of a patient, and an anatomically shaped forearm part which is adapted to receive the forearm of said patient,

the upper arm part being designed in the shape of a half shell and having a recess adapted to fit over and enclose the shoulder joint of said patient in said half shell, and

the forearm part being designed in the shape of a half shell and having an

enclosure for the elbow joint, and

the upper arm part and the forearm part being connected to one another in an adjustable manner, and a support strap being arranged on the upper arm part and a holding strap being arranged on the forearm part.

Claim 4 (twice amended). Bandage according to Claim 1, wherein, in addition to the recess adapted to fit over and enclose the shoulder, the upper arm part comprises profiled recesses which exert a partial strengthening action

Claim 7 (twice amended). Bandage according to Claim 1, wherein the upper arm part is fixed ventrally to the forearm part in the area of the wrist by means of said support strap and said support strap runs from the shoulder to the neck area.

Claim 9 (twice amended). Bandage according to Claim 1, wherein said support strap has a first end which is attached to said upper arm part and a second end which is attached to said forearm part, and said first end is split into two forks immediately after the point at which it is attached to said upper arm part.

Claim 12 (twice amended). Bandage according to Claim 1, wherein the straps have a high padding effect and, with loading of about 50 N, have a longitudinal expansion of <35%.